

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for a Regional Emergency Management Operations and Search and Rescue Facility in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Kittitas County, Washington, located at 205 W 5th Ave Ellensburg, WA 98926.

With over 70% of its area being public land, Kittitas County is a major recreation destination for people from all over Washington State. Currently, emergency response for search and rescue and wildland fires is done from Ellensburg, adding critical time to the response. This project would fund the construction of a new centralized Emergency Operation Center central to the recreation hub and closer to the fire district where the majority of wildland fires occur.

A unified emergency response center will provide a more cost effective, more efficient, and more timely administration of public safety services.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Kim Schrier, M.D.
Member of Congress